

**Title: Root symbiotic fungi : key players in the forest ecosystems of the Big Thicket.**

**Introduction:** Mycorrhizas, a symbiosis between fungi and plant roots, provide the physiological link between the majority of terrestrial plant species and their soil nutrients (Mosse 1973). One particular group of these root symbionts, the ectomycorrhizal (EcM) fungi, are essential for the good health and survival of the dominant trees that compose the various forest ecosystems in the Big Thicket (BT). Pines, oaks, beeches, etc... are associated with a very diverse assemblage of sometimes highly specific symbiotic fungi that allow these trees to manage stress, to survive drought and to thrive under sometimes very poor soil conditions. DNA barcoding and sequencing has enabled substantial progress to be made in fungal systematics, evolution, and ecology (Horton and Bruns 2001, Peay et al. 2008). Nonetheless, the pace of molecular data acquisition in fungal research has far exceeded our abilities to keep up with biodiversity inventories and formal descriptions of sporocarps (Hibbett et al. 2009). Unless major efforts are put forth to combine fungal taxonomy with molecular data, progress in understanding the scope and significance of this extraordinary fungal diversity will be limited. In the southern United States, the identification of these fungi suffers from a severe taxonomic impediment: there are no local taxonomic experts available for many of the dominant groups of these ectomycorrhizal fungi (see Youtube: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-wPVppwJqR0&list=ECOyuQaVrp4qrweAIKZRhJlIPFj2gbYJgY&index=14&feature=plpp\\_video](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-wPVppwJqR0&list=ECOyuQaVrp4qrweAIKZRhJlIPFj2gbYJgY&index=14&feature=plpp_video)). Nearly all of the taxonomic studies on these fungi date back to the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

This project will focus on some of the dominant groups of these EcM fungal symbionts: i.e. Russulales and Cantharellales. The PI is the world authority on the taxonomy of these groups and, through regular field work during the past 10 years, has accumulated a substantial experience with the North American taxa, in particular in the southern states, including the Big Thicket (see publication list). In accordance with the recommendations of the first FESIN North American Mycoflora Workshop (New Haven CT, July 2012), in which the PI participated as an invited expert, the objectives of this project are the following:

- to compare fungal root symbionts associated with the different types of forest communities in the BT: longleaf pine uplands, pine savannah wetlands, Beech-Magnolia-Loblolly pine, Upper and Lower Floodplains, Arid Sandylands, etc...
- to collect and document the fungal fruit bodies before drying them for further conservation in local herbaria (with duplicates at the Natural History Museum of Paris)
- to interact in the field with citizen scientists in view of building local taxonomic expertise and capacity in these fungal groups
- to sample fruit body tissue of collected fungi for future molecular purposes (barcoding & phylogeny)
- to sample also the root symbiotic organs (the ectomycorrhiza) in view of establishing unequivocally the associated host for collected specimens
- to provide online access to data on collected species through websites dedicated to specific fungal groups: *Russula* and *Lactarius* (<http://www.mtsn.tn.it/russulales-news/welcome.asp>) and *Cantharellus* and *Craterellus* (<http://www.mtsn.tn.it/cantharellus-news/welcome.asp>) or discussion and exchange forums on American fungi (<http://mushroomobserver.org/>).

### **Methodology and time line:**

project start date: Mid July 2014

project end date: Mid July 2015

field mission: the project starts with a **collecting trip in the Big Thicket between mid-July 2014 until August 9, 2014.**

The major units to be visited include the Lance Rosier, Big Sandy, Beech Creek, Jack Gore Baygall, Canyonlands, Beaumont and Turkey Creek Units.

Our working base would include the Field Research Station in Saratoga where we could use laboratory facilities for part of the lab work, and for the remainder of our visit we will be hosted by David Lewis and family.

#### Methodology:

- we will be collecting in the different types of forest communities in the BT, depending on fruiting conditions of the fungi: longleaf pine uplands, pine savannah wetlands, Beech-Magnolia-Loblolly pine, Upper and Lower Floodplains, Arid Sandylands, etc... GPS coordinates will allow to precisely locate collecting sites for all collections.
- we will document (notes and photographs) the fresh fungal fruit bodies before drying them for further conservation in local US herbaria (for ex. Field Museum in Chicago which has already most of the fungal collections made in Texas, with duplicates at the Natural History Museum of Paris)
- we will interact in the field with local citizen scientists (D.Lewis, J.Justice) in view of building local taxonomic expertise and capacity in these fungal groups
- we will sample fruit body tissue of collected fungi for future molecular purposes (barcoding & phylogeny) using 500µl CTAB buffer in 1.5 ml eppendorf tubes
- Using similar 500µl CTAB buffer in 1.5 ml eppendorf tubes, we will also sample the root symbiotic organs (the ectomycorrhiza) that can be found immediately beneath the fungal fruiting bodies in view of establishing unequivocally the associated host for collected specimens using molecular identification through blasting sequences for both the host and the fungus.

Upon completion of the field trip, collections will be studied microscopically in view of a more precise identification. In this context, it is important to note that the PI and Dr. S. Adamcik (Botanical Museum Bratislava, Slovakia) are undertaking a detailed morphological revision of all existing type specimens of American *Russulas* (see publication list). At the same time, we have been collecting tissue from all Murrill's species at the Gainesville herbarium (FLAS) for extraction and sequencing of some of their DNA. Both these aspects will contribute considerably to the ease of correct identification of the collected specimens.

Anticipated number of specimens and taxa to be collected: depending on the weather conditions of the preceding weeks (allowing for fruiting of the fungi), the number of collections may vary from ca 100 to several hundreds of specimens.

The expected diversity of the targeted genera in the Big Thicket is equally very high.

Recently, Buyck et al. (2010, 2011) described 5 new species in the genus *Cantharellus* from

Texas (including from the Big Thicket). This represents about 1/3 of the known diversity for this genus in North America, yet, our still ongoing molecular analysis of some 20 specimens of chanterelles collected in 2010-2011 by J. Justice, revealed a total of 11 different species of *Cantharellus*, including 6 still unpublished taxa, indicating a much higher diversity than expected for these mushrooms. In the case of the very diverse genus *Russula*, the expected diversity in the southern states amounts to several hundreds of species, most of these representing new species to Science. In collaboration with D. Lewis, several new taxa in the genus *Russula* from Texas are in the process of being described.

Data submission, and reporting:

A list of collected specimens with preliminary identifications and collecting locations with GPS coordinates can be submitted upon completion of the field mission (end of August 2014). By July 2015 (end of the project), an updated version of this list integrating more precise identifications resulting from the microscopic analysis of fungal specimens will be transmitted.

For already known taxa, we will provide online access to data on collected species (e.g. by posting pictures of identified collections) through our websites dedicated to *Russula* and *Lactarius* (<http://www.mtsn.tn.it/russulales-news/welcome.asp>) and *Cantharellus* and *Craterellus* (<http://www.mtsn.tn.it/cantharellus-news/welcome.asp>). We will discuss findings on exchange forums on American fungi, such as <http://mushroomobserver.org/> where some data on Big Thicket fungi is already posted.

Publication of the findings of the inventory.

Our collections from the Big Thicket will undoubtedly result in the discovery of quite a number of undescribed species for the targeted genera. These findings will result in several publications in peer reviewed journals in the coming years.

Budget: The costs associated with keeping of herbarium specimens and later molecular work will be contributed by other projects of both European scientists.

The requested funding only applies to field work.

Air fare Paris-Houston: 1450 euro/person x 2 =	3830 US dollars
Taxi airport (paris AR): 130 euro =	170 US dollars
Participation in living expenses, local transportation (3 weeks): 20 x 50 US/day x 2 pers =	2000 US dollars

**Total: 6000 US dollars**

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## 1. PERSONAL DATA

- \* SURNAME : BUYCK
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- \* PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH : Sleidinge, Belgium, June 18, 1959
- \* CIVIL STATE : married, April 9, 1988, divorced 2007; father of 2 sons (1991, 1993)
- \* NATIONALITY : Belgian
- \* MILITARY SERVICE : Medical service, March 3, 1985 - January 3, 1986
- \* LINGUISTIC KNOWLEDGE : **Dutch** : actif and passif: mother tongue, **French** : actif and passif : excellent, **English** : actif and passif : excellent, **German** : actif : good notions ; passif : very good, **Latin** : passif : good, **Italian, Spanish**: good notions

## 2. STUDIES

- \* present diploma : Doctor in Sciences (Ph.D), botany-mycology
- \* previous studies :
  - Secondary school : 1972-1978 : Latin-Greek, St-Vincentiuscollege, Eeklo (finished with 85 %)
  - Artistic formation : diploma of 2 preparatory years for the Academy of Arts, Eeklo
  - High school : State University of Ghent :
    - \* 1978-1981 licenciate in Science, botany  
endwork : “Revision of the genus Diderma (Myxomycetes) in Belgium” great distinction  
supplementary diplomas : pedology, marine hydrobiology
    - \* 1982 aggregated for secondary school, with distinction
    - \* 1984-1989 doctor in Science, botany, with highest distinction  
thesis: “Revision of the genus Russula in Central Africa” (in French), rewarded with the prestigious Augustin-Pyramus de Candolle Award 1990 (Geneva, Switzerland)  
additionnal thesis : “The importance of ectomycorrhizal fungi in tropical areas”
    - \* special courses :
      - Aug. 1-16, 1982 : course in informatics “Fortran IV”, State University of Ghent
      - Aug. 16-27, 1982 : “Microscopy of Basidiomycetes”, National Botanic Garden of Belgium
      - Sept. 3-16, 1983 : “specimen-preparation for T. E. M.”, Univ. Claude-Bernard, Lyon, France

## 3. CAREER

### Present position

Nov. 2004 – present: Associate Professor at the National History Museum Paris, HDR qualified (means I can apply for full Professorship in France)

### Previous positions

- Oct. 1, 1981 - Sept. 31, 1982 : voluntary scientific collaborator at the ‘Botanical Laboratory’, Ghent University, Belgium, Dir. Prof. Dr. P. Van der Veken
- Oct. 1, 1982 - Sept. 30, 1990 : full-time assistant in the same laboratory
- June 1, 1991 - Sept. 30, 1991 : part-time scientific collaborator, ‘Lab. of systematic and applied Mycology’, Univ. of Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium (MUCL), Dir. Prof. Dr. Ir. G. L. Hennebert
- Oct. 1, 1991 - Oct. 31, 1991 : full-time scientific collaborator at the same laboratory
- Nov. 17, 1991 - Dec. 18, 1994 : full-time Prof. of Botany, Univ. of Bujumbura, Burundi (Central Africa) for the Belgian Cooperation
- Dec. 19, 1994 - Feb. 19 1996 : full-time Prof. , "Vakgroep voor Morfologie, Systematiek en Ecologie", Ghent University, Belgium
- Dec. 01, 1996 – present : full-time Associate Professor (Maître de Conférences) ,National Museum of Natural History, Laboratory of Cryptogams, Paris

## 4. AWARDS

- Award "Prix Marchal", given by the “Royal Botanical Society of Belgium’ for my mycological papers between 1984-1989, received on Feb. 12, 1990

- Prestigious award "Prix Augustin-Pyramus de Candolle" from the "Société de Physique et d'Histoire Naturelle de Genève" (Switzerland) for the best unpublished study in plant taxonomy (my Ph.D. dissertation). Received on Oct. 4, 1990 (attributed only for the 15<sup>ième</sup> time since its instauration in 1850)

## 5. OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

### Editor in chief

- scientific monograph series « Faunes et flores tropicales », published by Institute for Research and Development and MNHN (2000-2005)
- Cryptogamie, Mycologie (2011- present)

### Co-editor

- Cryptogamie-Mycologie (ADAC-MNHN, Paris, 2000-2009)
- Fungal Diversity (2010 – present)

**Curator** of the national mycological herbarium (PC)

**Scientific director** of the yearly 'Salon du Champignon' at the Muséum National d'Histoire naturelle (35000 visitors/week)

**Web-site editor** "Russulales News" (<http://www.mtsn.tn.it/russulales-news/welcome.asp>, 1996-present),  
Cantharellus News (<http://www.mtsn.tn.it/cantharellus-news/welcome.asp>, 2011-present)

**Acutal vice President (twice ex-president)** of the French Mycological Society

**Member of the scientific committee** of the yearly International mycology meeting at Bellême

**Member** of several foreign mycological societies

**Life member** of the Mycological Society of America

## 6. RESEARCH

### In short :

In terms of diversity, Fungi are the most important group of living organisms after the insects : less than 5 % of an estimated 2 million existing species has been named ! Description has thus merely started and the classification of the fungi is still very incomplete and not comparable to the more stable classifications obtained now in botany and zoology. The inventory of the existing diversity is still contributing enormously to a better understanding of the classification and relationships among species.

Although I have accumulated quite some experience in various groups of fungi (having published on myxomycetes, nematophagous fungi, molds, ascomycetes and basidiomycetes...), I have gradually become the world's leading specialist on the genera *Cantharellus* and, in particular, *Russula*, a large genus of very difficult reputation with about 800 described species worldwide for an estimated total of several thousands of species worldwide. Having studied European and African *Russula* for over 25 years, I am since 2001 focusing on the taxonomy of *Russulas* of Madagascar and North America.

In recent years, I have been working on multigene phylogenetic analyses in Russulales and Cantharellales resulting in the description of two new genera in the Russulaceae (*Lactifluus* and *Multifurca* – both present in the Big Thicket) and am now preparing the publication of 5-gene phylogenies for both *Russula* and *Cantharellus*, including many North American taxa.

### Taxonomic expertise :

1981-1987 : taxonomic study of **Myxomycetes**, in particular the genus *Diderma*, resulting in several publications.

1982-1983 : study of **nematophagous fungi**, results presented at the 'National Mycological Congress, Belgium' 1986, published

1984-1991 : taxonomic study of **European Basidiomycetes**, in particular **Russulaceae** (Basidiomycetes), and identification of 3600 macromycetes which are deposited at the Myc. Herb. of the State University of Ghent, Belgium, (GENT) or at the Herb. of the National Botanical Garden (BR).

1989-present : **tropical ectomycorrhizal and edible fungi** form the main subject of my research, in particular the genus *Termitomyces* and the **worldwide taxonomy and phylogeny of Russulaceae and Cantharellaceae**

**Grants** : 12 grants over the past 20 years (accumulating to roughly 800.000 euro)

## 7. SYMPOSIA AND CONGRESSES

Participant and invited speaker at more than 70 international symposia and congresses.

### 8. FIELD EXPERIENCE

Field work in more than 30 countries in Europe, North and Central America, Africa, Oceania and Asia.

### 9. TEACHING

5 PhD students, 20 Master students, many post-docs and visiting scientists. Extensive teaching at the University of Ghent (Belgium, 1982-1990), University of Bujumbura (Burundi, 1991-1994), occasional classes at Université Paris VI (Paris, 1998-1999) and Museum of Natural History (Paris, 2003-2007).

### 10. PUBLICATIONS

More than 150 papers in peer-reviewed, international journals, 10 books, 9 chapters, 31 reports or vulgarizing papers, more than 30 invited oral presentations and author of >300 new fungal taxa.

Publications exclusively related to American Cantharellales and Russulales are listed below:

- BUYCK, B. & C. OVREBO, 2002 – New or interesting *Russula* from Panama. *Mycologia* 94(5): 888-901
- EYSSARTIER, G., B. BUYCK & R. HALLING, 2003 -- Une nouvelle chanterelle du Costa Rica : *Cantharellus atrolilacinus* sp. nov. *Cryptogamie-Mycol.*24(1) : 21-25.
- BUYCK, B., 2003 – Notes on the central-American *Russula cremeolilacina* var. *coccolobicola* (= *R. littoralis* Pegler). *Cryptogamie-Mycol.*24(2) : 117-124.
- BUYCK, B., 2003 – *R. lentiginosa* spec. nov. from West Virginia, USA, a probable link between tropical and temperate *Russula*-groups. *Cryptogamie-Mycol.*24(4) : 317-325.
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- BUYCK, B., HALLING, R. & G. MUELLER, 2004 – The inventory of *Russula* in Costa Rica : discovery of two very rare North American species in montane oak forest. *Bolletino Assoc. Mycol. Bresadola* (nuova serie) 46 : 57-74.
- BUYCK, B., 2005 – First record of the rare, northern *Russula xantho* from near Wildacres, North Carolina. *Cryptogamie-Mycologie* 26(4): 283-291.
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- BUYCK, B. & HOFSTETTER, V., 2008 – A multigene phylogeny for worldwide *Cantharellus* (MSA 2008 Abstracts). *Inoculum* 59(4): 22.
- BUYCK, B., LEWIS, D., EYSSARTIER, G. & HOFSTETTER, V., 2010 – *Cantharellus quercophilus* sp. nov. from post oak woodland in Texas with notes on other yellow brown small chanterelles in the southern USA. *Cryptogamie-Mycologie* 31(1): 17-33.
- ADAMCIK, S. & BUYCK, B., 2010 – Reinstatement of *Russula levyana* as a good and distinct species of *Russula* section *Xerampelinae* in America. *Cryptogamie-Mycologie*: 31(2): 119-135.
- ADAMCIK, S., MITCHELL, D., & BUYCK, B., 2010 – *Russula ochrifloridana* sp. nov., a new yellowish fishy *Russula* from Florida and its comparison with *R. grundii*. *Cryptogamie-Mycologie*: 31(4): 363-372.

- BUYCK, B., CRUAUD, C., COULOUX, A. & HOSTETTER, V. 2011 – *Cantharellus texensis* sp. nov. from Texas (USA), a southern twin of *C. cinnabarinus* revealed by tef-1 sequence data. *Mycologia* 103: 1037-1046.
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- BUYCK, B., BESSETTE, A. & ADAMČÍK, S. , 2011 – *Russula hixsonii* Murrill, a rare and intriguing southern species of uncertain systematic position, rediscovered in Georgia, USA. *Cryptogamie, Mycologie* 32(4): 403-412.
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## RESEARCH.

### 2013-2007

**Swiss Federal Station of Research Agroscope Changins-Wädenswil** (Switzerland).

**Permanent position** : Responsible for epidemiology and diagnostics of fungal diseases of grapevine and crops.

**Collaboration with Bart Buyck** (MNHN, Paris, France): Molecular systematics of Cantharellales and Russulales.

### 2005

**Research associate** of François Lutzoni, Duke University (NC, U.S.A.) for the project Assembling the Fungal Tree of Life (AFTOL) (<http://ocid.nacse.org/research/deephyphae/htmls/>)

**Research:** Molecular systematics of Fungi, of lichenized Ascomycota, more specifically of Lecanoromycetes and endolichenic fungi.

### 2003

**Postdoctoral research:** Swiss grant from the ‘Fonds National Suisse pour la Recherche (FNS)’ and **research associate** at Duke University (NC, U.S.A.) of François Lutzoni and Rytas Vilgalys.

**Research:**

- Molecular systematics of Lyophylleae and Entolomataceae (collaboration with Timothy J. Baroni, professor at State University of New York (SUNY), Cortland.).

- Lichenized Ascomycota (AFTOL project).

### 2002

**Postdoctoral research** at Duke University in Rytas Vilgalys laboratory (FNS grant).

**Research:** Molecular systematics of Lyophylleae versus ecological transitions in the Agaricales.

## PUBLICATIONS (2006-2012)

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- Buyck, B., Lewis D., Eyssartier G. & Hofstetter, V., 2010. *Cantharellus quercophilus* sp. nov. from post oak woodland in Texas with notes on other yellow brown small chanterelles in the southern USA. *Cryptogamie-Mycologie* 31(1): 17-33.
- Casieri, L., Hofstetter, V., Viret, O., Gindro, K. 2009. Fungal communities associated with the wood of different cultivars of young *Vitis vinifera* plants. *Phytopathologia Mediterranea* 48(1): 73-83.
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